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### TWELVE PAGES

A NINETEENTH CENTURY CAREER The death of Mr. Jay Gould yesterday terminates a career which is especially typical of the close of the century in American finance. Mr. Gould has been at once the pioneer and the prototype of many of the now characteristic methods by which corporate management is perverted to the aggrandizement of individual fortunes. He first showed how such things could be done on the grand scale, and carried the practices to a point which few men have equaled, and none surpassed. In that light the financial career just closed possesses an especial interest to the student of social changes as influ-

enced by pecuniary conditions. The old and familiar classic proverb concerning the propriety of speaking well of the dead can generally, but not always, be observed. Where the prominence of characteristics that cannot be approved forbid obedience to the aphorism, it is well to speak what good can be spoken. With regard to Mr. Gould it is satisfactory to say that he was personally unassuming and demogratic. At a time when it was the tendency in millionaire society to put on airs of aristocracy and transplant the customs, if not the scions, of European nobility to this soil, Mr. Gould retained his personal democracy. The marriage of his favorite son with an estimable actress is the occasion for favorably contrasting this trait with the pretensions of many mensof overgrown fortunes. It is worth remembering to Jay Gould's credit that the possession of excessive wealth did not produce on his part the arrogation of su-

perior blood and aristocratic surroundings which is so frequently the case. When we pass from Mr. Gould's personal character to his relation with public business and morals, it is impossible to retain that commendatory tone. It must be said that Mr. Gould's influence on business and morals has been wholly bad. He has not only demonstrated the scientific methods by which corporations can be managed to the detriment of the public and the ordinary shareholders for the enrecord made by Nancy Hanks, either richment of a few manipulators, but he he has demoralized the business conscience by exhibiting the illustration of the greatest wealth gained by the most unscrupulous disregard of financial honesty and public morals. It is just to say that the general objurgation which has followed Mr. Gould's career is incorrect in making it appear that he was the only great offender of his class. There are plenty of others, some of whom were his cotemporaries, and some of whom were more or less successful imitators of his methods. The reputation of being the typical devisor and executor of methods of corporate mismanagement for private enrichment cannot, even when death has inter-

vened, be denied on Mr. Gould's behalf. Yet it would be short-sighted to omit a recognition of the fact that Jay Gould was a product of the times. Under the conditions existing such a character was sure to exist. Given a general feeling that the attainment of wealth is the greatest good -so great that its successful pursuit condones the methods by which it is attained -given a corporate system in which the investments are counted, by the thousands of millions and the commerce which it influences is counted by tens of thousands of millions; given a political system with so much of carelessness, or ignorance, or corruption that corporate powers can be perverted from the beneficial purposes for which they were created to the uses of private enrichment, and under such influences the rise of characters like Jav Gould is inevitable. In our own day this state of affairs has produced scores of the same class; and it will continue to do so as long as the social, corporate and political conditions furnish the motive for such careers. The public apathy with regard to the enforcement of the principles of law and morality in corporate management is to be charged with the responsibility for the evil in Mr. Gould's career

and others like it. Mr. Gould's death incidentally affords an indication of the way in which individual importance is overestimated. It was generally supposed that the death of the great manipulator and stock owner-might have a disturbing effect on the stock market. The very weak foundation for such an apprehension was shown by the slight fluctuation and comparative steadiness of stocks yesterday. The fact is that the prosperity of the country stands upon too substantial a basis to be shaken by the The Duchess is leading the heroine of death of any one man, however great his this serial through a series of critical | financial power may have been.

AN OLD EXPECTATION REVIVED. The report that arrangements have quietly been made during the past few weeks for securing terminal facilities which will admit the Wabash and Reading railways to this city is one that, if confirmed, points to the realization of an old and long-delayed expectation. For many years it has been reported at intervals that these lines were seeking to reach Pittsburg. That railways which were ambitious of extending their traffic should aim at a of 1883. connection with the largest freight originating point in the land was so natural that we have never regarded such reports as wholly without foundation. But it must be admitted that the proportion of. fulfillment following the reports has up to this time been exceedingly slight. It is only to be hoped that the newest rumor may be followed by earlier and more material confirmation than its predecessors

It is hardly necessary to say that the pening of a new through line both to the

Pittsburg's railway facilities and an increase of the competitive influences here which would be vastly beneficial to our industries. If the new lines are really coming they should be met with material encouragement.

A POISONED WATER SUPPLY. The epidemic of typhoid fever in St. Louis affords striking evidence of the necessity for a constant and zealous care of the purity of water supply. The in-crease of typhoid to an epidemic form commenced about the middle of November. In October there were 260 cases in the city; in the first week of November 88. in the second 97. But in the third week the number jumped to 245, and in the week ending November 28 there were 930 cases, while the rapid increase goes on. The inspection of the houses in which 1,300 cases have occurred shows that the plumbing is generally in good order. In

those parts of the city where the water mains do not extend the disease has not appeared, while it rages most fiercely where the dependence on city water is most exclusive. Investigation of the water supply shows that the favorite vice of locating the influent pipes just below a sewer which drains a lot of bone-burning and rendering factories has been practiced there. In addition it seems that typhoid has been prevalent in the suburban towns above the city; and the recent rains which stirred up the stresms preceded the marked increase in the fever. The conclusion is clear that the rains brought down the germs of the disease, and as they found breeding ground in the filth discharged into the river by the sewers, the water works performed the function of

distributing the poison. Pittsburg has so far presented a creditaole exemption from this class of scourge. While towns in the vicinity are reported to be suffering from zymotic disease our city has shown a marked exemption, due loubtless to its good drainage and the high sanitary condition brought about by the precautions against cholera. But the fact that such diseases have existed in towns up the rivers should 'stimulate care lest the experience of St. Louis be repeated here. Possibly the only precautaken after the harm is done; but the first outbreak of these diseases should prompt universal precautions for rendering the

water supply innocuous. Science should advance the day when it will be clearly recognized that to spread an epidemic by means of the water supply is a species of criminal negligence amounting to wholesale manslaughter.

BY-FLAY AT CITY HALL. The latest move in the suppression of disorderly houses is an order by Chief Brown permitting the inmates to remain until the Mayor formally sets a day for their expulsion. This looks like an attempt to put Mayor Gourley in a difficult position. It seems intended to place upon him the responsibility if the houses are to continue, or else of defining how and when they are to be closed.

As many of the inmates have left the city, and those who remain will hardly care to take the uncertain chances of the future policy at City Hall, the countermanding of the order of expulsion may not perhaps renew the business. But it is utterly discreditable that action or inaction should depend upon either political or personal antagonisms among city officials. The Department of Safety has left itself nuch more open to censure than the Mayor. If the Department felt the anxiety'lt professed to carry out the Mayor's order of suppression there was not the slightest requirement that it should turn all the inmates into the streets at a few hours' notice. There were methods of legal and orderly procedure which might more decorously have been adopted than the sudden and arbitrary action which looked as if intended more to create a feeling against the Mayor's order than to give that order effect.

The question is now put back to where it was a few days ago. Henceforward it should be treated with more sincerity and with less regard for the personal politics of City Hall,

## A DEMOCRATIC SUGGESTION.

The Louisiana Sugar Planters' Association is gracefully prepared to sacrifice itself on the altar of patriotism. It also affords an indication of what amount of outcome there will be from the Democratic declamations about the enormity of the sugar bounty. "In order not to embarrass the Democratic party by asking for protection," the sugar planters assert, "they will simply tender sugar as a good article to tax to raise necessary revenue. and they are willing to accept as low a duty as one and one-half cents a pound rather than continue the bounty of two

cents." It would be interesting to specify whether this duty is to cover all sugar produced or is simply to apply to the higher grades on which the two cent bounty is given. But that makes no difference as to the nature of the proposition to convert the Democratic talk about sweeping away the bounty altogether into a mild reduction of 25 per cent at the most. It makes no difference to the domestic producer whether his production comes in the form of a bounty or is given by a tariff duty. In either event the bounty the same where the great bulk of the supply is imported, as in the case of sugar. The difference to the public at large is that when revenue is needed the excess paid by the people in the form of duty goes into the public treasury. But when the revenue is not needed it is to the public interest to repeal the duty, and if protection is needed to give it in the

form of bounty. The entire agitation for tariff reform was started by President Cleveland on the necessity for a reduction of revenues. The Republican policy accepted that idea and reduced the taxation on an article of universal necessity, by over \$50,000,000 annually, compensating the Democratic sugar interest by the bounty. Now it seems the Democratic position is to be changed, and more revenue is wanted, for which the sugar duties are to be restored. with the result of renewing the protection to Louisiana planters. That this wipes out the plea on which the tariff agitation was started affords no difficulty in view of the overwhelming Democratic majority in the House. It is also instructive to note how unerringly the Democrats of Louisiana come to the conclusion that the revenue tariff that Democracy wants is a tariff that will give them as large a margin of protection as they had under the tariff

TWENTY years ago a public building con mission was created in Philadelphia to take entire charge of erecting the city hall. The building was to be fluished in a few years at a cost of \$5,000,000. Now the commission is asking for \$2,000,000 more, after already sink-ing \$16,000,000 in the undertaking. The City uncils have refused to grant another cent

Councils at last, but why has it been so long delayed even in slow-moving Philadelphia? It is puerlle to blame men who manage city governments for private purposes. They simply succumb to the temptations and make use of the opportunities thrown in their way. The blame for the fact that American municipal government has become a by-word and butt for the scoffing of nations attaches to the voters who permit themselves to be robbed, overridden and misruled when the remedy is in their power.

YESTERDAY'S riots in Madrid were om-

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inous in the capital of a country so poorly governed and so badly disorganized as spain. In all but anarchy Spain belongs to an era a century or two behind the rest of Europe. But in social unrest the wretched country more than holds its own in the ad-THE women who have in charge the arrangement of the building in which children are to be cared for, instructed and en-tained at the World's Fair while their ruardians inspect its treasures, are wise in naking its scope wide enough to be of more than temporary benefit to those who make use of it. Method is to prevail, and many a parent should be able to take home from Chicago some idea of scientific systems for the bringing up of infants likely to prove

for ocular demonstration of the of such things that will come as a revelation to the many who would never even hear of them elsewhere. WHILE there is life there is hope. And there is still a chance that something practical and practicable may result from the monetary conference. A paliative is no better than a postponement that generally ag-gravates a disease in the end. A cure for the ills of the currency is what is needed and it can be more easily obtained now than

in this building there will be an opportunity

As at present mismanaged in Pittsburg. the rapid transit transfer system is one of those things that are pleasanter in theory than practice. The long waits between cars, however, provide many a work-worn man with unexpected and highly prized opportunities for repose or strengthening his vocabulary, or both, according to his temperament and the importance of his engagements. On such occusions as these the philosopher will console himself by remembering the sedvantages and overlooking the shortcomings of modern civilization. But then there are so few philosophers, and so many unreasoning idealists.

PENNSYLVANIA makes more cigars than any other State. And Pittsburg makes more smoke than most other cities. But the privilege of smoking the cigars has to be paid for, while citizens choose to consume the smoke for nothing, when they might free themselves of it at a profit.

NATURAL gas has so often exhibited an nclination to be absent when most needed that consumers have begun to expect a shortage of fuel whenever the thermometer takes a tumble. But the back of the overburdened householder is almost broken now of going out for want of current at or about the usual dinner hour. So long as bills are paid and dividends declared, however, any neidental little inconvenience to the purchasing public is a matter of minor-or inus-consideration to the selling corporations.

DRAWING lots has been instituted as a ethod of deciding an election tie in Kansas On the whole that plan is an improvement on the counting out system too prevalent in

close contests by all parties. As the Panama investigation proceeds the extent of the corruption to which the scheme gave rise becomes more and more evident. The bribed Deputies, the sub-sidized papers, and the religious advisers who are responsible for the loss of the hardarned savings of thousands are a disgrace to their country and should be rigorously greater the position of trust of a unan before he public, the more severe should be the punishment meted out for a wilful disregard duty and a deliberate practice of dis-

ARTIFICIAL rain-making is about as successful as comet-chasing. There are easier ways of wasting time, money and enthusiasm than either of these.

is a man not easily satisfied. With a large corps of assistants he has discharged tons of explosives, sent up a few score of balloons without producing rainfall. Yet he com that it was a scientific success so far as it went. The general public will not agree with the General, but rather urge him and bad lob and cease from going further lest

WHEN it comes to paying the debt of nature the pauper is on a par with the millionaire. And still people generally prefer to be millionaires in the meantime.

AT a meeting of more than a thousand voters in an Ontario town last night an overwhelming majority were in favor of the union of the Dominion with this country. The desire for annexation in Canada is mak ng such headway that its practical consideration cannot be long postponed. Any at-tempt to suppress the feeling will only be

## PROMINENT AND POPULAR.

JUSTICE FIELD has been a member of the Supreme Court for about 30 years. It is reported that the Archbishop of Suenos Ayres is to be made a Cardinal.

M. HIPPOLYTE ADOLPHE TAIN, the well-known French author and member of the French Academy, is dangerously ill in

cast his first vote for Monroe, in 1816, and has not missed a Presidental election since. He is almost a centenarian.

THE World's Fair Joint Committee on Ceremonies has practically decided to invite Oliver Wendell Holmes to write the ode for the celebration at the opening of the World's Fair next May. QUEEN VICTORIA, accompanied by Prince

and Princess Henry, of Battenberg, and the Grand Duke and Duchess Sergius went yes-terday to Farnborough, where the whole party visited ex-Empress Eugenie. ORDERS were issued by the Navy Department yesterday, detaching Commodore J. S. Skerritt from command of the Washington Navy Yard, and ordering him to as sume charge of the Pacific station about

January 10 next. PRIVATE PRETZCHAN, 6 feet 7% inches in height, the tallest soldier in the German army, was lately photographed with the smallest private in the army standing by his side, and a copy has been hung in the Emperor's study.

On the occasion of the anniversary of the silver wedding of the King and Queen of Greece, a wealthy resident of Alexandria resented the latter with the sum of 200,000 drachmus for the establishment of a reformatory for young criminals.

THE Emperor of Germany has consented to send to the World's Fair a collection of presents received by his grandfather, Emperor William, his father, the Emperor Frederick, and himself from their fellow sovereigns in Europe, as well as from the people of Germany. The collection is worth A LOOK AROUND.

Some lady who is interested in plants has taken the trouble to send me some splendid branches of ivy, with a message to the effect that it is a sample of what Pittsburgh can do with that plant. I am de lighted to see that it thrives so well here, and follow up what I have already written with a suggestion-a borrowed one, to be sure, but nevertheless worth considering. If you have a long stretch of fencing and wish to beautify your place try a "chain and ivy" effect. On the summit of a brick wall, low and broad, place iron posts about three feet high and ten feet apart, connect the posts with a good sized chain, which hangs in a graceful curve. Plant ivy at the base of the posts and train it along the chains and upon the top of the brickwork. By keeping this trimmed you have a beautiful succession of green uprights and curves above a broad green base. In a few years the ivy will cover all that you desire of your wall and will be as effective in win-ter as in summer. Stiff iron or paling fences are such an abomination that any change from these traditional eyesores will be most welcome.

"THIS is a hard town to do much in the way of amateur theatricals in, even with the Tuesday Night Club," remarked a wellinvaluable on their return. The Kinder-garten and Sloyd systems cannot be too known member of that admirable and popuar organization, "Pittsburg men seem to widely known or too extensively practiced for the future welfare of this country. And be different from those of other large cities where similar societies and clubs exist. Take the leading amateur club of the country-the Amaranth of Brooklyn, for example. There they have men who have well recognized lines, heavy men, light comedies, walking gentlemen and all the other classifications into which actors are divided. These men are willing to act at any time, and are jealous of their parts and will squabble at a moment's notice if they think they have been slighted and a better part given to somebody else. They are society men, men of all sorts of professions and occupations, just as they are here, but they are willing to take a big part even if it does entail a lot of study and considerable prominence. Our men in Pittsburg do not eem to take kindly to a good part. The best of them usually act under protest. It is not that they do not want to do the work so much as an apparent dislike to making themselves prominent, and I cannot for the life of me see why it is. Instead of feeling hurt if the best parts are given to others, they are delighted, and the less they have to do the better they are pleased. It is somewhat the same with the ladies, but not to the same extent. As a social affair the club is a great success, and there are always a large number of applicants on the list for

"EXCEPT in the big fields where there is gas enough to make the wells flow, it costs more on the average to produce a barrel of oil than it sells for," grumbled a leading operator yesterday. "The result is that the producing interests are going more and more into the hands of large and wealthy corporations and combinations. The small operator who has any money to spare is a thing of the past. All through the country towns where the small fellows have to raise money they have to pay the banks or the capitalists from 8 to 10 per cent interest and that tells the story in a few words."

"JAY GOULD and Henry M. Hoyt have died within a few hours of each other," said a Republican who is an old hand at shaping State affairs last night. "I suppose you do not understand what I mean when I couple the names of these two men. Well, Hoyt was Governor when Gould tried to run Pennsylvania politics some on his own hook and he had a hand in doing the little Wizard up. I don't intend to go into dates or names, but the outline of the story is this: Gould wanted John Sherman to be President on a certain occasion and he took a look into Pennsylvania to see what could be done. He got a party of wire-pullers together who led him to believe that they could secretly secure the nomination of men who would favor Sherman as national delegates—in fact they went so far as to make him think they could steal a majority of the delegation from this State without the knowledge of Simon or Don Cameron who were at the then favor Sherman. To accomplish this a handsome sum beside—not in a direct way but in a sale indirect manner. The proposition was that he would at a certain time stocks and the fall of others on the New York Exchange. The clique was to buy heavily or sell as might be indicated by Gould and reap a handsome profit. This was carried out. Twice there came word from Gould as to the course to pursue and twice the gang made huge profits within a few days. Things were then arranged for a grand final coup which was to result in gigantic profits. In some way Hoyt heard of what was going on. He notified Cameron, who, with promptness and skill, proceeded to undermine all the work that had been done and to prevent the election of a single delegate not in harmony with the Cameron nachine. Just about this time a quiet little fellow with a famons name and a most extended political experience drifted over from New York to Philadelphia to take a glimpse at things for Gould and to see how fur the bargain had been carried out and whether the goods were really to be delivered on call. He went here and there throughout the State and soon discovered the counterplotting of Cameron, his knowledge of the deal with Gould and the collapse of the Sherman movement. It was a day or two before the last big stock deal was to come off. Gould made no sign to anyone excome off. Gould made no sign to anyone except the quiet little chap who went to New York in a hurry in response to a summons. The speculative crowd had mised a large pool, made up of previous winnings and all they could borrow. They followed the cue given by Gould in perfect faith, although they knew by that time they would not be able to elect a delegate. The market went exactly the way Gould said it would not, and went with a whirl. All the profits and the borrowed cash went, and so did a heavy sum belonging to the State Treasury. Thus Gould was revenged without anyone being able to show him up. One of the men hunted for the Wizard with a revolver for ten days, but found Gould was out of season hunted for the Wizard with a revolver for ten days, but found Gould was out of season and town and could not be bazged. The queer part of it all was that the man who lost most money in the play did not know of the deal for delegates, but was true to Cam-eron, and even helped him to knock out his own fellow speculators, not knowing they had a dicker on with the Wall street manipulator." manipulator."

# DEATHS HERE AND ELSEWHERE.

Mrs. Catherine E. Brickell. Catherine E. Brickell, one of the idest residents of the city, died at the residence of ter son, Captain David Brickell, 4 Center avenue her son, Captain David Brickell, 44 Center avenue, on Thursday afternoon. Decreased was in her 222 year. Born in Stattgart, Wurtemburg, in 1800, she was brought to Pittsburg by her parents five years later, and resided here ever since. She was the mother of William B. and Captain David Brickell, of this city, and John Brickell, of San Francisco, and Mrs. Hetty Stone. of Pittsburg, and was an aunt of H. Seliers McKee. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at the family residence.

The only woman who carried the United States flag in battle during the late war died Wednesday at the Gardeld Hospital in Washing-ton, She was Mrs. Eliza E. Cutier. At Fort Donelson, as her husband's regiment was fighting de-perately against terrible odds she appeared in the field, sword in hand, bearing the regimental col-ors aloft, and remained on the field until ordered abourd a stemmboat by the colonel.

Obituary Notes GENERAL OPPREMAN, who had the f being the actual planner of the siege of Paris, ied at clanover Tuesday.

J. B. CLARK, for the past ten years editor of the Susser Journal, the lending Democratic paper in that county in Delaware, died Thursday of pneumonia after two weeks' illness. MRS. CATHARINE HENDRICK, wislow of Thomas

Hendrick, died Thursday at the home of her son, Her, J. W. Hendrick, pastor of the Catholic Church at Livoula, N. Y., aged 79 years. MRS. MARTHA LANE, sister of Harriet Lane Johnson, inistress of the White House under Prest-dent Buchauan, of whom she was also a niece, died at Betiefoute, Pa., yesterday morning. ded at Bettefoute, Fa., yesterday morning.
EUGAS E. POLK, one of the prominent citizens of
fennessee, died of typhold fever at Ashwood
Thursday. During the late war he was a brigadier
ceneral in Cleburus's division and was well known
inroughout the Southern States. He was promiA YOUNG LADY'S DEBUT.

Coming-Out Reception for Miss Rea S. Johnston-Eong List of Prominent Ladies Who Will Take Part in the U. P.

Women's Association-Society Gossip. A RECEPTION yesterday afternoon at the esidence of Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Johnston, on Western avenue, Allegheny, was attended by most of the fashionable people of the two cities. The occasion was the more interesting from the fact that it "brought out" Miss Rea S. Johnston, and among those who were present were Miss Lucy Haworth, Miss Blanche House, Miss Elizabeth Met-Miss Blauche House, Miss Elizabeth mecealf, Miss Mary Dule Clark, Miss Mirah Ross,
Miss Felicia Ross, Miss Grace Kelly, and
Miss Guerne, of New York, who is in Allegheny on a visit to Miss Kelly. Mrs. Johnston
was assisted in receiving by Mrs.
William Lippincott, Mrs. W. W.
Patrick, Mrs. Frank Johnston and Mrs.
M. A. Ross, Chrysanthemums and scariet
Mrs. Ross, Chrysanthemums and scariet M. A. Ross. Chrysanthemums and scarlet carnations were the principal flowers used in the decoration of the house, while pink roses lent their delicate perfume to the other sweet florat odors that prevailed. The reception was a delightful one, as all enter-tainments of the kind must necessarily be, when they are guided by women of taste and refinement, resting on a foundation of generous hospitality.

THE annual reception and bazaar of the United Pre-byterian Women's Association is to be held next Thursday and Friday in the old postoffice building. The various committees are as follows:

Dining room-Mrs. Dr. Campbell, Chairmant Mrs. D. C. Thompson, first assistant; Mrs. Robert Wilson, second assistant; Aids, Mrs. Rev. O. B. Milligan, Mrs. Robert Stevenson, Mrs. D. K. Bryce, Mrs. Albert Stevenson, Mrs. S. L. Mc-Henry, Mrs. William McKeown, airs. Lambert Rodger, Mrs. Mrs. M. D. Weit, Mrs. Alexander Rodgers, Mrs. M. D. Webb, Mrs. Alexander Dempster, Mrs. Peter Dick, Mrs. Samuel Colvin, Mrs. Dines, Mrs. David Fritz, Mrs. J. A. Curry, Mrs. Joseph Miller, Mrs. R. S. McCulty, Mrs. Liz-zle Sands, Mrs. J. A. McCracken, Mrs. J. L. Cra-ven, Miss Annie Miller, Miss Jenale Thompson. Mrs. Essle McNary. Mrs. Jas. Longhridge, Mrs. Dr. Duff, Mrs. Rev. D. S. Littell, Mrs. Rev. J. T. McCrory, Mrs. Rev. Van Fossen, Mrs. Rev. J. D. Irons, Mrs. J. A. Reed, Mrs. R. S. Lyons, Mrs. Robt, Harrison, Mrs. J. A. Eedes, Brs. R. A. Eillot, Mrs. Dr. Brewster, Mrs. Wm. Owens, Mrs. L. H. Biethron, Mrs. W. J. McCreary, Mrs. S. F. Andrews, Mrs. William Miller, Mrs. Wm. Mc-Ganan, Mrs. Alex Boss, Miss Lizzle Gray, Miss Emily Mazzet, Miss Annie McCourt, Miss Lizzle Emily Mazzet, Miss Annie McCourt, Miss Lizzle Greeniee, Miss Alice Libbey, Miss Mary Troup, Miss Mattle Thompson, Miss Margie Mc-Kee, Miss Lizzle Smith, Miss Annie Sloan, Mrs. J. A. Scott, Mrs. John Johnson, Mrs. Dr. Asdale, Mrs. Kate Crease, Mrs. John Spratt, Mrs. Maggie Watson, Mrs. H. W. McKee, Mrs. J. H. McElroy, Mrs. A. Alston, Mrs. Jasper Stevenson, Mrs. J. Patterson, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Douthard, Mrs. P. S. B. Donaldson, Mrs. Robt, Cummings, Mrs. P. S. B. Donaldson, Mrs. Robt, Cummings Mrs. P.
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Social Chatter.

The work in crepe paper of the King's Daughters of the First Methodist Protestant Church called forth much praise from everyone who visited the fair of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society in the old postoffice the past two days. The young ladies were novices, yet in six weeks they managed to make an array of pretty articles fit for the cyes of a king.

The seventeenth annual meeting of the Society for the Improvement of the Poor will be held in the Free Dispensary building, Sixth avenue, on Monday afternoon next at 3 o'clock. Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer will be read, and officers elected for the engines year. for the ensuing year.

The marriage is announced of Miss Bertle K. Schreiner, daughter of Mr. Johnschreiner, to Mr. William G. Stevenson, of Stevenson & Co. It is to be celebrated Wednesday, December 14, at the home of the bride's father, Locust street.

# A TRIBUTE TO THE DEAD.

Action of the Chamber of Commerce on the Death of J. D. Bernd,

The Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce met in special session yesterday afternoon to take action on the death of J. D. Dernd, one of the Board of Directors of the Chamber. The meeting was called to order by President George A. Kelly who in a few brief words called the attention of the board to the object of the meeting, and spoke appropriately to the memory of the deceased. He said that Mr. Bernd had been deceased. He said that Mr. bernd had been appointed a director of the Chamber in March, 1888, and had served faithfully ever since and at the time of his death was a member of the Committee on Statistics and also a member of the Committee on Membership

bership.
George H. Anderson, James B. Scott, and Rev. Dr. James Allison were appointed a committee to draft appropriate resolutions, which were adopted.
Mr. Peter Dick, in seconding the resolution, said he ind known Mr. Bernd since 1871 and had done business with him right along and had never met a more honorable, ones and inst mm.

open and just man.
Mr. John Bindley said that he agreed with Mr. John Bindley said that he agreed with all that had been set forth in the resolution, and said he had found Mr. Bernd to be a philanthropist and a man of broad ideas.

Rev. Dr. Allison said he always admired Mr. Bernd because he was easily approached and was a 200d, hom & prompt, reliable, enterprising and substantial business man. Mr. George H. Ab groon likened Mr. Bernd to Leich Hunt didoat man, who was a lover of his fellow in m.

The resolution was adopted and then the meeting adjourned.

### CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Frog farming is a Michigan industry. -The best champagne corks cost about 7 cents each.

-This country mines 20,000,000 barrels of sait a year. -The stones of the Pyramids were moved

into place on rollers. -According to Andrew Lang Great Britain has 100,000 novelists.

-The earliest newspaper established in Sweden was founded in 1643.

-In the last century it was fashionable in England to go baldheaded.

-On festive occasions both Roman and Greek wore garlands of flowers. -Gongs, bells and horns have been in use as dinner calls since the eighth century.

-Vitellius, the Roman emperor, had one dish which cost 1,000 sesterces, or over \$40,000. -In Shakespeare's day there was no other scenery than tapestry hangings and

-A resident of Missouri recently finished a guitar composed of over 1,000 pieces of wood.

-The Sandwich Islands become hilarious on the juice of a vegetable resembling the -King Charles spaniel puppies a month old easily bring \$50 apiece, and when half

grown \$100. -Of Missouri's 27 Governors only three were born in the State. Ten of them came

-During the coming year France will spend \$1,900,000 for arms and ammunition for the cavalry slone. -The Lord Mayor of London's badge of

office contains diamonds to the value of \$120,000, and the temporary owner has to give a bond for it before he is sworn in. -Five thousand canaries were among the passengers on the steamship Thuric, which pool. They were consigned to a bird inneier in that city.

-The big panniers of 1720 were worn with a "creaker," a bustle made of linen cloth, gummed and folded, which squeaked outrageously with the slightest movement of the wearer. -The inhabitants of the Andaman islands are the smallest race of known human beings—that is, taken as an average. The

height of a full-grown Andamanian seldom exceeds 34 seet, and few weigh over 65 pounds. -The tallest soldier of the German army, s trooper of the First Regiment of Prussian Guards, is 6 feet 814 inches high. When he presented himself for his uniform a special instrument had to be procured to take his measure.

-It was not until the fifth century that in Europe priests began to shave their crowns. The koman clergy then adopted the circular method, and snaved that small round spot on the top of the head which is known as the tonsure. -The "angry tree" attains a height of

from 10 to 25 feet. It is found in Nevada,

California and Arizona. If disturbed by contact or moved by the wind, it manifests signs of veration, ruffling its leaves like the hairs of an angry cat and emitting a sicken--A Vienna correspondent enters into details respecting a new rifle lately invented by Herr von Manulicher, which hodescribes as a weapon of terrible destructiveness. As many as 120 rounds per minute have been fired from it, and it has no more recoil than

a rook rifle. -Recent borings at Dover have proved the coulded there to belong to the upper part of the middle carbonizerous formut that is to say the ued of coal found at Pas-oe-Calais. Apparently, therefore, the ned extends under the Channel and is part or great coal area uniting Franco and Eng-

-"Tentite." a soft, resinous substance found in quantities in the Bear River Mountains, was unknown to the mineralogist prior to 1830, and is even now wholly unknown in other quarters of the earth. Experts who have given it thorough tests are of the optaion dist if will finally become amber of the thest quality. -The annual report of Inspector General Dumont, of the steamboat inspection service, to the Secretary of the Treasury shows that

to the Scenary of the Treasily shows the the number of passengers carried during the year (partly estimated) 6:550,000,000. The number of lives lost was 200, a decrease of 138. Of the lives lost 48 were passengers and 152 officers and crews of the vessels. -Chrysanthemum salad is the latest fad at the London West End. It is claimed that the flowers are enten plain, with oils and

the nowers are exten plain, with distinct vinegar, holled with butter, or mixed with truffles and cloves and strained. Chrys-anthomain flowers as an article of food are said to have been long in use in Japan, from where the London fad is probably taken. -There is a touch of humor in the fact that mosquito and musket are from the same root, the Latin word for fig. One comes through the Spanish mason, a fly; the other probably through the Italian. The popular notion that the Mosquito coast of Central America give name to the Jersey pest is piobably an inversion of the true sequence.

-Among the numerous presents sent to a Snah of Persia by one of the Russian Emperors was a bedstend of extraordinary magnificence. It is said to have been entirely made of crystal, and was accessible by stepof the same material all worked in in tion of large diamonds, incrusted in a solid frame. On each side there were spouss made to eject scented water, which by its murmuring invited sleep.

-The shipment of live lobsters from this side the Atlantic to England is declared by fishery experts in England to be impracticable. Experiments were made last year, but they have not been repeated this season. Under the most fiverable eircumstances the lobsters did not reach the English market in a healthy condition, and the Government expects deprecare any further attempt to demonstrate the feasibility of the schame.

-The congresses held in Spain during tha centennial commemoration almost rival in number and variety those that it is proposed to hold in Chicago in 1883. They in clude the Congress of Americanists, Peda gogie Congress, Congress of Spiritualists the Catholic Congress, Geographical Congress, Congress of Free Thinkers, Hispano American-Portugese Mercantile Congress a S, anish-American Lerai Congress and minor congresses of artisans and others which pass almost unnoticed.

### ORIGINAL AND JOCOSE, FOR CHRISTMAS.

"Bobby, tell me something nice to give To the dearest heart I know.

I'm not quite up to the proper thing.

And amiss I'm sure to go. "

"Why not a ring with diamonds set, Or of golden bends a string.
Or eise a plu of purest pearlat
Oh, I'll tell you just the thing.

"A chatelaine. No, you're hard to please, Well, a bracelet made of hearts, Or else a cupid minature, With a golden bow and darts.

"Or" - "stop; such things are most too young You have in plind another. But when I said the dearest heart, By that I meant my mother

Little Children, Pittsburg, Pa: DEAR YOUNGSTEES-Owing to the mild weather in your city I will be compelled to clange my confirme. This year I will visit you in all tights an a paim leaf fau, mounted on a safety bleyele, not scream if you should happen to be awake t I arrive. With much love.

MAKING SURE OF A PLACE TO SLEEP. "We are having a very dull season ac cia ly, " anid Chiengo McCallister.
"How do you account for it?" " asked Pullmi

Stockton.

"Why, everybody is away on a visit or rathe visits, for they have invitations to stay with a their friends."

"Do they usually go away like this?"

"Oh, no, you see the World's Fair is next year and the visited now expect to be the visito then."

TAKE NOTICE, VISITORS TO OUR CITY. "How do you manage to keep clean?" th

Provoking you and me till we show wrath, And here I print an answer, all strangers heed, That we keep twen by taking oft a bath.

until an itemized account of past expendtures has been rendered. As an example of the manner in which municipal uffairs are conducted in this country it may be an ex-The Keystone State All Bight. Indianapolis News.;

It begins to look as though every State which did not go outright for Cleveland is doubtful—except Pennsylvania, of course,

It begins to look as though every State become the first the Hotel Continuents in Paris, such pleens of his handlework are to be found in residences of wealthy persons in nearly every city of Europe and in New York. areine instance, but it is none the less strik-East and West would be an extension of ing. The right step has been taken by